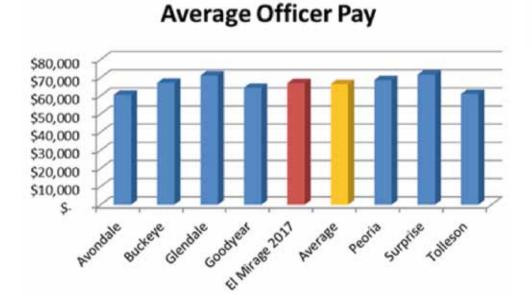


El Mirage Police Officer Salaries and How They Compare

Through sound City management, today we have one of the finest Police Departments in the Valley and the average primary property tax in El Mirage, which is dedicated to Public Safety, is lower today than it was prior to 2011. El Mirage Police Officer **salaries are competitive to highly competitive**, according to a 2016 study conducted by an independent third party firm. El Mirage, population 33,935, was compared in the study to much larger West Valley Cities when establishing police officer salary ranges; Avondale (pop. 80,684), Buckeye (pop. 62,582), Glendale (pop. 240,126), Goodyear (pop. 79,003), Peoria (pop. 171,237), Surprise (pop. 128,422), and Tolleson (pop. 7,008) – *Source: League of Arizona Cities and Towns, State Shared Revenue May 23, 2016*. The Mayor and Council elected to compare employee salaries to these cities despite the fact **El Mirage ranks last in revenues** – an indicator of the City's ability to pay.

The average annual salary of an El Mirage Police Officer is \$66,944, compared to an average annual salary of \$66,408 for West Valley comparator cities, according to data in the 2017 League of Arizona Cities and Towns Salary Survey. Said differently, El Mirage Police Officers, on average, make \$536 more a year than officers in neighboring communities.

Despite El Mirage ranking last in revenues, the City Council adopted a policy for competing with market comparator cities. This policy provides the City the opportunity to be competitive without increasing the property tax burden for El Mirage residents.



Police Officer pay has increased every year since 2012 under the leadership of City Manager Dr. Spencer A. Isom. Consistent with the City's practice to remain competitive, police officer salaries are reviewed and compared to the West Valley market cities every other year. A new 2018 study is underway by the City.

For information on the **2016 Salary Study** and a recent **Arbitration Opinion and Recommendation**, please **visit**: http://www.cityofelmirage.org/1680/Transparency.

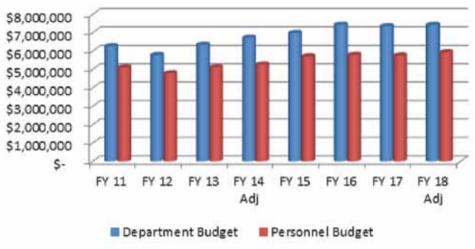
EL MIRAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT BY THE NUMBERS...

City Manager Isom, with the support of Mayor Lana Mook and Council, have placed an emphasis on law enforcement while keeping property taxes for residents stable. The numbers provided in the "Department/Personnel Budget" graph demonstrate this point.

- 1. *Personnel costs* in the Police Department have *increased 16 percent* since 2011.
 - a. Since 2011, more than \$43 million was budgeted for Police

 Department wages and benefits, which averages to more than
 \$100,000 per Police Department employee (sworn and unsworn).

Department/Personnel Budget



- 2. The Police Department budget has increased 19 percent since 2011.
 - a. Four out of every five dollars budgeted in the Police Department go directly to wages and benefits.
 - b. Since 2011, more than \$54 million was budgeted for police operations, which include dispatch services, training, ammunition, body-worn cameras, firearms, vehicle and radio replacements, and many other law enforcement initiatives.
- 3. Though the El Mirage Police Department budget increased by 19 percent, other General Fund Departments during the same timeframe increased in total by only 11 percent; which includes Fire, Parks, Facilities, City Administration and other important services.
- 4. Consistent with recent El Mirage population growth projections and although no request for additional police officers have been made, City Manager Spencer Isom anticipates recommending additional police officers in FY 2018.

These increases to Police Officer wages, benefits, and operations were made possible by sound financial management. Again, through sound City management, today we have one of the finest Police Departments in the Valley and the average primary property tax in El Mirage, which is dedicated to Public Safety, is lower today than it was prior to 2011.





El Mirage, Let's Pick It Up!

El Mirage Businesses Help Pick It Up

Increasing awareness of the City's anti-litter campaign, Valero became the first business to display the City's "Do Not Litter" signs. The City decided to make available for purchase by businesses and the general public the El Mirage "Do Not Litter" signs for \$20. The signs are heavy-duty reflective aluminum, graffiti resistant, and measure 12 inches wide by 18 inches tall. The signs are the same signs posted along arterial roads, on collector streets entering neighborhoods, and in City parks and facilities. Currently, there are more than 100 signs located throughout the City.



City of El Mirage Maintenance Worker I - Streets Beautification Specialist Scott Estavillo

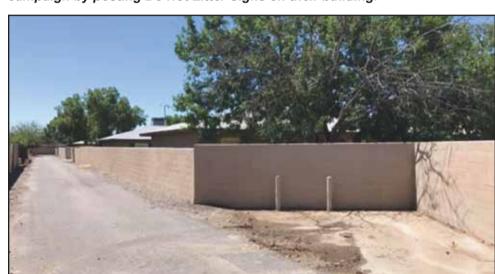
Keeping up with Scott Estavillo...Scott is still out there every day making El Mirage a cleaner place to live, and we need to do our part to help him in his efforts. Together we can continue to battle against litter in our City!

Remember, Fly Dumping is illegal and violators are subject to fines of up to \$500. If you see someone Fly Dumping, please call the El Mirage Police Nonemergency number: 623-500-3000.



El Mirage Valero Store on Dysart Road helps to spread the word of the anti-litter campaign by posting Do Not Litter Signs on their building.





Before and after photos of Scott Estavillo cleaning up fly dumping in an alley



Each time a monsoon storm hits, Public Works staff is out in our community attending to a number of storm related items. The Public Works team handles temporary traffic control setup, debris removal from right of way areas, and storm water drainage control; and responds to intermittent power failures to traffic, water, and wastewater system

components.

During the month of July, Public Works staff responded to more than a dozen instances of debris removals in the right of way from storm damage. The operations that Public Works provide are vital to the community, and El Mirage can be proud of the great group of committed professionals who support it.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

EL MIRAGE CITY COUNCIL meets for regular sessions on the first and third Tuesday of each month in Council Chambers at 10000 N. El Mirage Road, normally starting at 6:00 PM. Council packets are posted on the City website at www.elmirageaz.gov the week prior to the meeting. There is one meeting held in early July and one in late August allowing for a summer hiatus and one meeting on the first Tuesday in November and December allowing for holidays. Special meetings and Workshops may be held either at a regularly scheduled Council meeting or alternate day as may be set by the Mayor. For questions, contact the City Clerk at 623-876-2943.

ELMIRAGE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION meets monthly on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers at 10000 N. El Mirage Road. Agendas are posted on the City website at www.elmirageaz. gov. For questions, contact the Planning Administrator at 623-876-2996.

Back row left to right: Operations Supervisor-Facilities-Fleet Marc Johnson, Utilities Tech III Mike Day, Fleet Mechanic Lorenzo Moreno Jr., Assistant Utilities Director Shane Swartwout, Maintenance Worker I Uriel Ramirez, Operations Supervisor-Parks-Streets Wayne Smith, Maintenance Worker II Tijuan Dial, Utilities Tech I Yaotzin Meza, Utilities Tech I Mike Hibble, Utilities Supervisor Scott Ketchmark, Maintenance Worker I Elias Navarrette, and Maintenance Worker II Jose Ruelas

Front row left to right: Utilities Tech I Justin Porter, Utilities Tech I Fidel Camacho, Maintenance Worker I Scott Estavillo, Utilities Tech Trainee Oscar Chavez, Utilities Tech I Rudy Miranda, Maintenance Worker I George Lopez, WW Operator I Victor Chavez, Utilities Mechanic Kevin Voigt, and Utilities Tech I Eddie Lopez

Photo challenge continues: Dr. Isom challenges you to take a picture of you with your school-age child or children picking up litter in your neighborhood or standing next to one of the many "Do Not Litter" signs on the way to or from school. Submittals will be judged and the winning photo will be showcased in next month's newsletter and receive four local movie passes and a "Do Not Litter" t-shirt. Submit photos to awakeman@elmirageaz.gov. You and your family can make a noticeable difference in our community!

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Mayor's Message: Improving El Mirage Roadways - Road Work Q & A

The City appreciates your patience and slowing down in construction areas while we are completing several road projects. To help answer some of the questions we have received, we have put together the below Question and Answer.

EL MIRAGE ROAD

Q: When will El Mirage Road be completed?

A: The El Mirage Road project consists of four separate phases.

- Phase 1 is from Northern Avenue to Gateway Park and MCDOT began construction on this portion in June 2017 and anticipates being complete by next summer.
- Phase 2 is between Gateway Park and Cactus Road and that segment was completed earlier this year.
- Phase 3 includes
 Thunderbird Road from
 127th Avenue to El Frio
 Street.
- Phase 4 is El Mirage Road from Cactus Road to Grand Avenue and this segment will be substantially complete by the end of September, 2017.

Q: Is El Mirage Road ahead of schedule?

A: Phase 1 has just

recently commenced, but is currently on schedule. Phase 3 and Phase 4 will be completed at the end of September instead of the end of August due to rain events, utility relocations, and design revisions.

Q: What work will happen next on El Mirage Road?

A: For Phase 4, the main focus is to finish the asphalt roadway, sidewalks, and driveways so that the full roadway can be opened to the public and the residents north of Thunderbird Road. A roundabout will also be installed at the current intersection of El Mirage Road and Santa Fe Lane to replace the existing three way stop. Once these critical items have been constructed, the final detailed touches will be completed including landscape, hardscape, signing, and striping.

Q: What materials were used on El Mirage Road?

A: The pavement will be topped with rubberized asphalt in areas adjacent to residential neighborhoods in order to reduce the noise generated from the roadway.

Q: What amenities will the project provide?

A: You can already see the new medians,

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streetlights, wider sidewalks, traffic signal, and the school drop off lane for El Mirage Elementary. A 16" water main was also installed north of Thunderbird Road with additional fire hydrants to replace a 40-year-old line. Over the next two months you will see the completion of the HAWK crossing at Soledad Street, on street parking, and bike lanes.

THUNDERBIRD ROAD

Q: When will Thunderbird Road be

completed?

A: Thunderbird Road from 127th Avenue to El Frio Street will be substantially complete by the end of September 2017.

Q: Is Thunderbird Road ahead of schedule?

A: Thunderbird Road will be completed at the end of September instead of the end of August due to rain events, utility relocations, and design revisions.

Q: What work will happen next on Thunderbird Road?

A: The asphalt roadway, sidewalks and driveways will be completed so that the full roadway can be opened to the public and the businesses along this corridor.

Q: What amenities will the project provide?

A: Over the next two months you will see the completion of the medians, streetlights, wider sidewalks, storm drain system, HAWK crossings at Primrose and Luna Street, on street parking, bike lanes, and monument signage.

IMPACT OF THE ROAD WORK ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Q: How do the road improvements on El Mirage and Thunderbird Roads affect economic development?

A: The new road improvements will help attract new businesses on El Mirage and Thunderbird Roads. Parcels near an improved commercial road area are an opportunity to build before prices rise to regional market levels.

Q: What can existing businesses located along new roads do to improve marketability?

A: Existing businesses on Thunderbird and El Mirage Roads should take advantage of the new roads by improving their storefronts. This could be signage, painting, landscaping, and awnings. When businesses storefronts improve, this will attract new customers.

WHO DO I CONTACT IF I HAVE MORE QUESTIONS?

Q: Who can I contact if I have questions about the road projects?

A: Questions can be directed to Assistant City Engineer Bryce Christo at 623-876-2974/bchristo@elmirageaz.gov.

Q: Who can I contact regarding economic development opportunities?

A: Questions can be directed to Economic Development Specialist Tom Doyle at 623-876-2935/tdoyle@elmirageaz.gov.

And All That Jazz at the Senior Center

The Senior Center has jazzed it up lately! Thanks to the Jazz Foundation of America for supporting our Senior Center by having local resident and internationally known jazz musician Joe Gallivan and his jazz ensemble to play for the Seniors at the El Mirage Senior Center.

For more information about Joe Gallivan, visit joegallivan.com. For more information about the Senior Center, contact El Mirage Senior Administrative Assistant Ruby Arvizu at 623-876-4232/rarvizu@elmirageaz.gov.



Left to right: Nicole Pesce, Sean Brogan, Joe Gallivan, and Mayor Lana Mook



August 2017

From left to right: "Vero," Andrew, and Armando help clean up the community.

The Victim Assistance Unit is looking for your help!

The El Mirage Police Department's Victim Assistance Unit (VAU) provides 24 hour crisis response and follow up to victims of crime. With your help, the Unit can continue to provide this service to the community and asks you to consider supporting the program.

VAU services include:

- crisis intervention
- · a liaison with investigators
- informing victims of their legal rights
- assisting with court orders, restitution, and compensation claims
- accompanying victims to interviews and court proceedings
- obtaining emergency funds to victims in need of imminent financial assistance
 - referrals to local support agencies

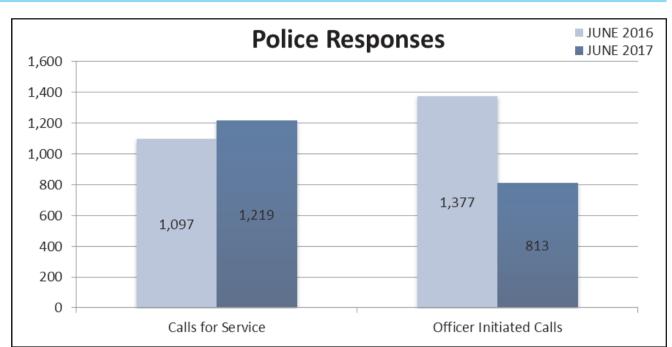
A critical service the VAU provides comes in the form of meeting emergency needs of victims in the El Mirage community. Some of these needs include food, shelter, and clothing.

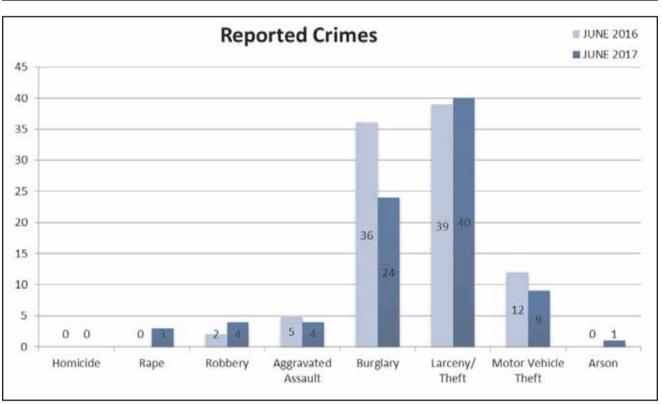
If you are interested in making a donation to the El Mirage Police Department VAU emergency fund, please contact Iva Rody at irody@ elmirageaz.gov, or (623) 500-3091. Donations can also be mailed to: El Mirage Police Department Victim Assistance, 12401 W. Cinnabar Ave., El Mirage, AZ 85335.

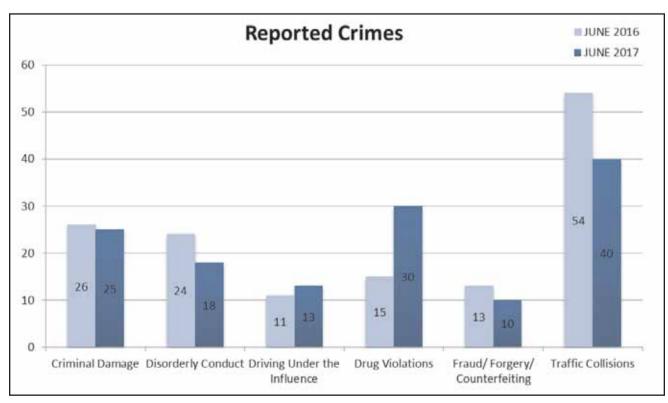
El Mirage Police Department Property and Evidence Division UNCLAIMED PROPERTY NOTICE TO CLAIM PROPERTY

Report#	Category	Item Belongs to
E15041152	Clothing	Luis Romero
E16040522	Misc. Items	Giovanni Garcia-Duarte
E16060244	Cellular Phone	Unknown
E16060244	Wallet / ID	Steven Baggett
E16060244	ID	Ashley N. Eyerly
E16081990	Misc. Items	Britney Gonzales
E17060476	Backpack	Katelyn Madrid
E17061124	Cellular Phone	Donato D. Amaya
E17061859	Clothing	Daniel Knight
E17061905	Misc. Items	Noreen Ruiz
E17070854	Misc. Items	Jose Madrid
E17070939	Cellular Phone	Angel Luna
E17071139	Bicycle	Unknown
E17071231	Clothing	Andre C. Yanes
E17071250	Bicycle	Unknown
E17071526	Bicycle	Unknown
E17071884	Backpack	Erik Krezmien
E17071929	Jewelry	Marichail Williams Sr.
E17072016	Misc. Items	Eric A. Trevino
E17072137	Misc. Items	Timothy Lancaster
E17072169	Cellular Phone	Cody L. Wolfe
E17072195	Clothing	Jason clark
E17080009	Clothing	Johnny S. Hernandez Jr
E17080089	Bicycle	Joe A. Deleon
E17080164	Bicycle	Unknown
E17080270	Misc. Items	Joel A. Erives
E17080309	Purses	Regina R. Fortner
E17080327	Purse	Amanda D. Dixon
E17080344	Bicycle	Lupe Garcia
E17080549	Backpack	Abigayle Schondelmeyer
E17080570	Cellular Phone	Taylor Fletcher
E17080574	Bicycle	Unknown
E17080603	Backpack	Marlena Gaucin
E17080616	Wallet	Hector Varela

Photo ID is required.
Call 623-500-3038 for an appointment to claim your property.
Property not claimed by 07/31/16 will be disposed of in accordance with the law.







El Mirage Police Department personnel will be participating in the following upcoming West Valley DUI Task Force events. Enforcement will be conducted in the host city as well as in the City of El Mirage. Enforcement efforts supported by the Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety.

DATES	HOST
September 2, 2017	Peoria PD/Glendale PD, West Valley
September 16, 2017	Buckeye PD, West Valley

A Hero Among Us – Mr. Thomas Yoxall



From left to right: El Mirage Police Chief Terry McDonald, Mr. Thomas Yoxall, Mayor Lana Mook, and Arizona Department of Public Safety Captain Tim Mason.

In the early morning on January 12, 2017, DPS Trooper Ed Anderson responded to a call of a person shooting at cars in the far West Valley near Tonopah. When Trooper Anderson arrived at the scene, he saw an overturned vehicle with an injured woman. As he was beginning to help the woman, a man shot him in the shoulder and began beating him. That's when El Mirage resident, Thomas Yoxall, was driving by and witnessed the incident. Mr. Yoxall immediately pulled over, asked the Trooper if he needed help, and then asked the stranger to stop beating the Trooper. When the suspect did not stop his attack, Mr. Yoxall pulled out his weapon and killed Trooper Anderson's attacker.

Mr. Yoxall's heroic actions were reported by multiple news agencies and in every law enforcement publication. When it was discovered that Mr. Yoxall was a resident of El Mirage, Police Chief Terry McDonald wanted to honor this

extraordinary individual. Police Chief McDonald coordinated a meeting with Mr. Yoxall and invited DPS Captain Tim Mason who is Trooper Ed Anderson's commanding officer.

Police Chief McDonald remarked, "As a 40 year plus law professional, what I have found that is so outstanding is that Mr. Yoxall overcame adversity in his life and created himself to be the individual he is today. When other people chose not to stop, Mr. Yoxall took action. Thomas represents a true hero. El Mirage is proud to have Thomas Yoxall call El Mirage home."

Captain Tim Mason commented, "Mr. Yoxall may feel he simply did his duty that day, but I see it differently. Mr. Yoxall did not hesitate to react during a life and death situation, and his actions are reflective of someone who has courage and strength to stand for another person who was facing death. Mr. Yoxall saved Trooper Anderson's life and he is nothing short of a hero."

El Mirage Fire Department Calendar of Events

Hydration Station at Fire Station Through September 1, 2017 13601 N El Mirage Road Free Bottled Water Please Take 1 Per Person

> Community CPR Training CPR + First Aid September 23, 2017 December 9, 2017

Call 623-583-7968
To register or for more information

Watch your kids around water!

EMFD Community Connections Back to School Means Sharing the Road

School days bring congestion: school buses are picking up students, kids are biking to school, and parents are trying to drop their kids off before work.

It's never more important for drivers to slow down and pay attention than when kids are present – especially before and after school.

Sharing the Road with Young Pedestrians

- In a school zone when flashers are blinking, stop and yield to pedestrians crossing the crosswalk or intersection.
 - Always stop for a school crossing

guard holding up a stop sign.

• Never pass a vehicle stopped for pedestrians.

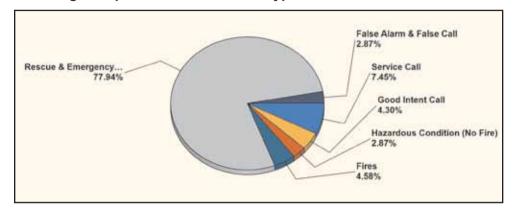
Sharing the Road with School Buses

If you're driving behind a bus, allow a greater following distance than if you were driving behind a car. It will give you more time to stop once the yellow lights start flashing. It is illegal in all 50 states to pass a school bus that is stopped to load or unload children.

• Never pass a bus from behind or if the yellow or red lights are flashing.

City of El Mirage Fire Department Operations Report July 2017

Total Calls for Service = 351
Average Response Time for All Aid Types: 00:07:14



Community Involvement

- 07/01: EL Mirage Fire Department participated in numerous car seat inspections and had several ride-a-longs to experience what it is like to be a first responder.
- 07/22: El Mirage Fire Department participated in the Backpack Bash at Life Spring Church. EMFD Crews interacted with approximately 1,000 citizens.

Significant Incidents

- 07/08: El Mirage Fire Department responded to a reported car fire next to a house at Grand Avenue and Alto Street. The car fire was brought under control very quickly, no exposures were damaged. The fire is under investigation.
- 07/15: Crews responded to a report of an overdose. Upon arrival, firefighters immediately administered Naloxone and revived the male subject who was transported to Boswell Hospital for further treatment.
- 07/15: El Mirage Fire Department responded to a reported gas leak at the Sun View Care Facility. Sun City Fire also reported finding a large tree had blown onto the building causing significant damage including a gas leak and power line down across building.
- 07/15: El Mirage Fire Department responded to a reported full code (pulseless and not breathing). Upon arrival El Mirage Police were administering CPR. Fire crews took over care and continued with ALS protocols and a pulse returned. Patient was transported to local hospital; no other information available.

- 07/15: Crews responded to a hazard of a large tree on a house. The crew was able to determine electrical lines were not involved; damage was contained to roof and north wall.
- 07/18: El Mirage Fire Department responded to gunshot wounds. On arrival, El Mirage assumed command and directed crews to triage and treatment of four patients. The scene was turned over to El Mirage Police Department for investigation of the incident.
- 07/27: Crews responded to an RV storage fire. Units found multiple travel trailers on fire. The crews made an aggressive fast attack trying to stop the spread. They deployed a hand line along with the use of the water cannon. They were able to contain the fire to two units originally on fire and heat damage to the adjacent trailers.

Training Activities

• 785 total training hours, combined Fire/EMS

Fire, Building, and Life Safety Division Report for period ending: Statistics for period of July 2017

- Permits issued: 79
- Plan reviews:
- 2 Commercial
- 69 Residential
- 1 Fire
- Inspections 181 at 115 stops (6 daily average)
- Revenue from permits \$45,155

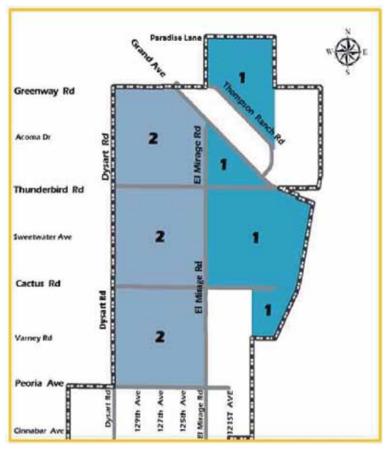
Prevention Inspection Summary/FBLS						
	Initial					
Property Use	Inspections	Reinspections	Total Inspections			
Commercial	27	14	27			
Courtesy/Info	12	0	12			
Residential	135	0	135			
Annual Business/Fire	7	0	7			
Reinspections	0	14	14			
Total Inspections	181	28	209			



Public Works: Working Hard for El MirageCurbside Bulk Trash Collection - Fall 2017

The City of El Mirage will be offering curbside bulk trash pickup to residents of El Mirage who receive City provided solid waste services. The bulk trash collection dates for fall 2017 are:

Monday, October 23 SECTION 1 for homes East of El Mirage Road Monday, November 6 SECTION 2 for homes West of El Mirage Road



Please be aware that the collection process utilizes large equipment and tools. To prevent any property damage and assist in the collection process, residents should ensure that items are **NOT** placed near or against water meters, utility boxes, mailboxes, fire hydrants, fences, vehicles, landscaping, or in alleyways. When items are blocked or are hard to reach, crews have difficulty removing them, increasing collection times and the cost of the collection program.

Bag or box as much as possible and/or stack neatly & place at edge of property or curbside

Do not place out any loose items/debris or untied tree limbs and/or branches

Event maps can be viewed on the City's web page (www.elmirageaz.gov), Facebook and sent out in water utility bills.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this program please contact Public Works at (623) 935-6405.



TO SAVE BIG ON FALL SPORTS!

DATES	REGISTRATION TIMELINE	RECREATIONAL SPORTS MEMBER	COMPETITIVE SPORTS MEMBER	RECREATIONAL SPORTS NON-MEMBER	COMPETITIVE SPORTS NON-MEMBER
JULY B-20	SUPER SPORTS REGISTRATION	\$40!	\$79!	NA	NA
JULY 21-31	EARLY REGISTRATION	\$50!	\$89!	\$110!	\$155!
AUG 1-21	REGISTRATION	\$60	599	\$120	\$165
AUG 22-	LATE REGISTRATION	580	\$119	\$130	\$185

HOW TO REGISTER:

OVER THE PHONE AT 602-688-5335
ONLINE AT WWW.VALLEYYMCA.ORG
IN PERSON AT THE NORTHWEST VALLEY FAMILY YMCA
12450 W. CINNABAR AVE. EL MIRAGE, AZ 85335

QUESTIONS? PLEASE EMAIL RYAN PIEPER AT RYAN.PIEPER@VOSYMCA.ORG

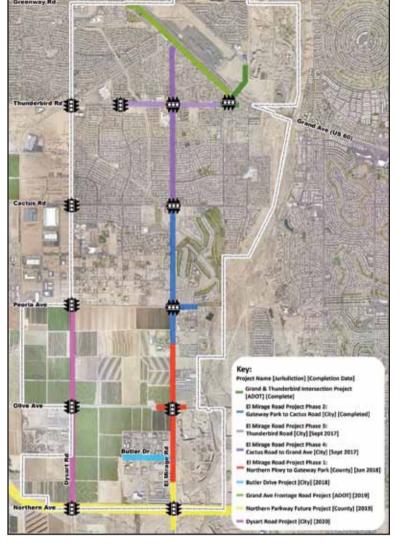
Public Works: Working Hard for El Mirage | - El Mirage Construction Update -

Thunderbird Road is under construction from 127th Avenue to El Frio Street. Sidewalk and curb & gutter are being finalized on the north side. Streetlights, catch basins and landscaping installation will continue.

El Mirage Road is under construction from Cactus Road to Grand Avenue. The mill and overlay between Cactus Road and the Fire Department h a s been completed. The west side of El Mirage Road, north

of Thunderbird Road, has been opened while the demolition of the east side has started. The intersection of Santa Fe Lane and El Mirage Road will be closed for one month starting August 23rd in order to install a roundabout.

Maricopa County is reconstructing El Mirage Road from Northern Avenue to Gateway Park



including Olive Avenue. Water main, streetlight conduit and storm drain installation as well as traffic signal work continues.

Installation of water and sewer lines along Olive Avenue, west of El Mirage Road, will start on August 22nd with a closure of Olive Avenue between El Mirage Road and Dysart Road starting at 7 pm on Friday, Auust 25th and will re-open to traffic by 5 am on Monday, August 28th.

For more information, visit www.elmirageaz.gov Construction Update or contact: Bryce Christo, P.E. – Civil Engineer II 10000 N. El Mirage Road, El Mirage, AZ 85335 P: 623-876-2974 | E: bchristo@elmirageaz.gov



ELMIRAGE El Mirage, Let's Pick it Up!

The "El Mirage, Let's Pick it Up" campaign is a great way to give back to your neighborhood by volunteering to pick up trash. City-wide beautification efforts will boost El Mirage's economic vitality by attracting businesses, families, and visitors.

Litter collection will take place every Wednesday, with the goal of increasing Thursday trash pick up volumes. Individuals and group cleanup teams are encouraged to email photos with contact information showing "Let's Pick It Up" activities throughout El Mirage to awakeman@elmirageaz.gov. Winning photographs will be showcased in the monthly El Mirage Newsletter and winners will be eligible for a prize.

"Do Not Litter" signs that can be installed at businesses in El Mirage as well as adult and youth t-shirts to promote this effort are available for purchase. Proceeds will be used to sustain the campaign. To place an order, fill out the form below and email awakeman@elmirageaz.gov or return the form to any City facility.

Print Name:	Email:							_
Address:		Phone #:						
\$10.00 T-Shirts: \$15.00 each: XXXL	XXL XL	L	M	S	YL	YM	_ YS	
Signs: \$20 each:								
□Visa □Master Card #:		(CSC Code #:			Expiration:		
Total amount \$ Pl	otal amount \$ Please make check payable to City of El Mirage: □Check #:							
Signature:	Date							







Dr. Spencer A. Isom
Picking up trash in an
El Mirage Community Park

For more information please contact: Amber Wakeman at <u>awakeman@elmirageaz.gov</u>. Please mail checks and forms to: El Mirage City Hall/Litter Campaign 10000 N. El Mirage Road, El Mirage, AZ 85335

COMMUNITY EVENTS - SEPTEMBER 2017

SENIOR CENTER

14010 N. El Mirage Rd., El Mirage, AZ 85335 (623) 876.4232 | rarvizu@elmirageaz.gov

Come visit El Mirage's Senior Center and socialize with other seniors from the City.

Senior Center Activities Include: Hot lunches for \$2.50 BINGO, Board Games, Card Games, Art & Crafts, Exercise Classes, Health & Wellness Speakers, Monthly Birthday & Holiday Parties

ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

Free Fitness Classes

Monday and Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m. Must be 55 or older. The Senior Center offers free classes including Zumba Gold, Standing Yoga, Safe Weight Lifting, and Resistance Bands.

Sewing

Mondays and Wednesdays from 8 to 10 a.m. Learn to sew with confidence! Whether you are a beginner or just need inspiration to pick up sewing again, all are welcome. Learn which notions are essential for the home sewist; how to thread; operate sewing machines; and, complete selected projects. The first project will be holiday table toppers, while we talk about sewing trends, techniques and tips. Bring your sewing machine, if you can, and we will provide the materials, notions and a few machines for the first project.

The Senior Center also takes donations. For more information: Call: (623) 876-4232 or Email: rarvizu@cityofelmirage.org or Visit: www.cityofelmirage.org

EL MIRAGE SPECIAL EVENTS AT GENTRY PARK



ONGOING RECRETIONAL **ACTIVITIES**

Co-ed Adult Soccer

Games played at Gateway Park Information: www.azcoedsoccer.com or 1-800-BSA-0886

Benfica Youth Soccer

Monday through Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. year round Information: www.azbenfica.org or 1-800-BSA-0886

White Tanks Little League

Baseball and Softball Ages 4 to 16 Information: presidentwtll@gmail.com or (623) 241-4602

West Valley Youth Football

Ages 5 to 15 learn flag/tackle football, cheer, dance, and step. Information: www.wvyfaz.com or wvyouthfootball11@gmail.com

El Mirage Martial Arts Academy

Ages 6 to 12 learn traditional martial arts and life skills including "stranger danger." \$45/month, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 6 to 7 p.m.

Ages 13 and older train at their own speed in weaponless defense. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 7 to 8 pm.

Information: Richard Gutkosky (623) 628-6725

EL MIRAGE LIBRARY

14011 North 1st Avenue, El Mirage Arizona 85335 | (602) 652-3000 | http://mcldaz.org/events/elmirage

ADULT/ALL AGES

ADULT

Armchair Explorers Book Club -Tuesday, Sept. 12 10 to 11:30 a.m.

The September title is "Buffalo Jump Blues" by Keith McCafferty. A Sean Stranahan Mystery. Montana's favorite fly fishermandetective tackles a case of lost love, murder and wildlife politics. Copies available at the service desk and online electronically through Overdrive on the library's



YOUTH

Purposeful Play Group - Thursdays, Sept. 14 and 28, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. For parents and caregivers with children ages 1 to 5. Interested in socialization, creative play and stimulating brain development for your little one? Learn why and how to play with your child to maximize brain and skill development. Purposeful Play Groups are led by Family

Educators from the Benevilla Family Resource Center. Registration is not required but space is limited.

Storytime for Preschoolers - Thursday, Sept. 21, 10:30 a.m. Children 3 to 5 years old with parent or caregiver. Stories, songs and fun action rhymes in an interactive program for the preschool crowd. Audience participation is encouraged for tots and grownups alike. Registration not required but space is limited. **Please note: The Storytime that would normally be on the Sept. 7 is cancelled due to a conflict with a stafftraining event. We apologize for this inconvenience.

BINGO for Books - Monday, Sept. 11, 1:15 to 2:45 p.m. Join us afterschool for a few rounds of Bingo. Win books and other fun prizes! Registration is not required but seating is limited.

Make Monday Better With A Movie - Monday, Sept. 25, 1:15 to 2:45 p.m. Join us once a month for a free afterschool movie. Refreshments provided. Registration not required but seating and snacks are limited. This month's movie is "The Lego Batman Movie." Rated PG, 104 minutes, ©Warner Bros.

DYSART COMMUNITY CENTER

14414 North El Mirage Road | info@dysartcommunitycenter.org | dysartcommunitycenter.org | (623) 974-4156

YOUTH AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM (623) 583-2137

NEW HOURS Monday: 1 to 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 3 to 7 p.m. Cost: \$2/day or discounted \$25/month Youth receive homework help, late lunch, physical activity, games, arts/crafts, STEM,

cooking/nutrition, social

development opportunities and

TEEN ARTS & **ACTION PROGRAM (TAAP)**

(623) 933-4242

Tues/Thurs 3:30 to 6 p.m. FREE. Local teens are making a difference in our community! TAAP offers creative project based curriculum focusing on education, technology, media studies, arts and community engagement

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

(623) 974-4156

Clases de Ingles (ESL) – Clases individuals y en grupo disponibles incluyendo los libros de studio y el programa Rosetta Stone Cost: \$60

Citizenship – Full instruction for passing US citizenship test. Cost: \$40.

GED – Classes available with professional instructors from 10 a.m. to noon Monday through Thursday, and 6 to 8 p.m. Monday through Wednesday. (623) 933-4242. Cost: \$40

Registration for classes will be from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 7, at the Dysart Community Center.

RECEPTION HALL RENTAL

(623) 249-3812

Venue for Weddings, Birthdays, Graduations, Quiencineras, Community Meetings, Sports Programs and Fitness Classes. Chairs & Tables included - 200 guest capacity.

MOBILE FOOD

(623) 974-4156

Dysart Community Center 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 2, 2017

Movil Distribuccion de Despensa en Dysart **Community Center** Primer Sabado de cada mes a la 9:30AM





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See the Rewards Center for details. Must be 21. Desert Diamond West Valley Casino Rewards Card necessary to participate. Management has the right to alter/cancel without notice. Please play responsibly. An Enterprise of the Tohono O'odham Nation.